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4th Infantry Division's Support Brigade to case its colors for deployment to Iraq

FORT HOOD, Texas — The 4th Infantry Division's Support Brigade will hold a casing ceremony for the brigade and Support Battalion colors during retreat at Cameron Field, 4 p.m. on Sept. 8.

The event signifies the unit's deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved to Starker Fitness Center, located at 16th Street and Ironsides Avenue.

The 470 Soldiers of the Support Brigade will be the first personnel from the division to deploy to Iraq. They are scheduled to leave in late September.

Col. Gustave Perna, the Support Brigade commander and Maj. Gen. James Thurman, commanding general for the 4th Infantry Division, are slated to speak during the ceremony.

MEDIA NOTE:

- 1. Media members interested in covering the ceremony should contact the Support Brigade public affairs office no later than 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7 at (254) 287-0233/533-0012 or guadalupe.stratman@hood.army.mil. Please provide the following information when you call: Name of the organization, personnel attending and contact phone numbers.**
- 2. 4ID Public Affairs representatives will meet media at the Main Gate Visitors Center at 3:30 p.m. Thursday and escort them to Cameron Field.**
- 3. All vehicle operators accessing the installation must have a valid driver's license, current vehicle registration and proof of insurance.**